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| Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle): Roth, David J | | | | | | | | Name of Joint Debtor (Spouse) (Last, First, Middle): Roth, Esther K | | | | | | |
| All Other Names used by the Debtor in the last 8 years (include married, maiden, and trade names): | | | | | | | | | All Other Names used by the Joint Debtor in the last 8 years (include married, maiden, and trade names): | | | | | |
| Last four digits | | ec./Comp | lete EIN | N or other T | ax ID N | O. (if more | e than one, s | state all) | | r digits o | | c./Complete | EIN o | or other Tax ID No. (if more than one, state all |
| Street Address of Debtor (No. & Street, City, and State): 13840 S. LeClaire Crestwood, IL ZIP Code 60445 | | | | | | | | | | Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. & Street, City, and State): 13840 S. LeClaire Crestwood, IL ZIP Code 60445 | | | | |
| County of Resi | idence or o | of the Prin | cipal P | lace of Busi | iness: | · | | | County Cool | | ence or of | the Principa | l Plac | ce of Business: |
| Mailing Addres | ss of Debto | or (if diffe | erent fro | om street ad | dress): | | | | Mailing | Address | of Joint I | Debtor (if diff | feren | t from street address): |
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| Location of Pri (if different fro | | | | Debtor | | • | | | • | | | | | <u>'</u> |
| Type of Debtor (Form of Organization) (Check one box) ■ Individual (includes Joint Debtors) □ Corporation (includes LLC and LLP) □ Partnership □ Other (If debtor is not one of the above entities, check this box and provide the information requested below.) State type of entity: | | ors) LLP) bove | (Check all applicable boxes.) ☐ Health Care Business ☐ Single Asset Real Estate as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101 (51B) ☐ Railroad ☐ Stockbroker ☐ Commodity Broker ☐ Clearing Bank | | | | ☐ Chaj | oter 9 | the half the | Petition is Fi | ileď (| Code Under Which Check one box) Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Main Proceeding Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Nonmain Proceeding heck one box) | | |
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| Filing Fee (Check one box) ■ Full Filing Fee attached □ Filing Fee to be paid in installments (Applicable to individuals only) Must attach signed application for the court's consideration certifying that the debtor is unable to pay fee except in installments. Rule 1006(b). See Official Form 3A. □ Filing Fee waiver requested (Applicable to chapter 7 individuals only). Must attach signed application for the court's consideration. See Official Form 3B. | | | | | | | ebtor 3A. | Chapter 11 Debtors Check one box: Debtor is a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). Debtor is not a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). Check if: Debtor's aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts owed to non-insiders or affiliates are less than \$2 million. | | | | | | |
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| Voluntary | y Petition | Name of Debtor(s): Roth, David J | | | | |
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| | Prior Bankruptcy Case Filed Within Last 8 | Years (If more than one, attach addit | ional sheet) | | | |
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| District: | | Relationship: | Judge: | | | |
| | Exhibit A | Exhibit B | | | | |
| forms 10K as pursuant to S and is reques | leted if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 sting relief under chapter 11.) A is attached and made a part of this petition. | (To be completed if debtor is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts.) I, the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, declare that I have informed the petitioner that [he or she] may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each such chapter. I further certify that I delivered to the debtor the notice required by §342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. X /s/ Lorraine M. Greenberg ARDC No.: June 21, 2006 Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) Date | | | | |
| | | Lorraine M. Greenberg | | | | |
| | Exhibit C | | erning Debt Counseling | | | |
| | otor own or have possession of any property that poses or pose a threat of imminent and identifiable harm to public ety? | by Individual/Joint Debtor(s) ■ I/we have received approved budget and credit counseling during the 180-day period preceding the filing of this petition. | | | | |
| ☐ Yes, and | Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition. | ☐ I/we request a waiver of the requirement to obtain budget and credit counseling prior to filing based on exigent circumstances. (Must attach certification describing.) | | | | |
| | Information Regarding the Debt | or (Check the Applicable Boxes) | | | | |
| | Venue (Check an | • | | | | |
| - | | al place of business, or principal assets in this District for 180 | | | | |
| _ | There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, go | eneral partner, or partnership pending in this District. | | | | |
| Debtor is a debtor in a foreign proceeding and has its principal place of business or principal assets in the United States in this District, or has no principal place of business or assets in the United States but is a defendant in an action or proceeding [in a federal or state court] in this District, or the interests of the parties will be served in regard to the relief sought in this District. | | | | | | |
| | Statement by a Debtor Who Resides | as a Tenant of Residential Property | 7 | | | |
| | Check all app | | | | | |
| | Landlord has a judgment against the debtor for possession | of debtor's residence. (If box checked, | complete the following.) | | | |
| | (Name of landlord that obtained judgment) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | (Address of landlord) | | | | | |
| | Debtor claims that under applicable nonbankruptcy law, th permitted to cure the entire monetary default that gave rise possession was entered, and | | | | | |
| _ | Debtor has included in this petition the deposit with the coafter the filing of the petition. | urt of any rent that would become due | e during the 30-day period | | | |

Voluntary Petition

(This page must be completed and filed in every case)

Roth, Esther K Signatures

Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct.

[If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7.

[If no attorney represents me and no bankruptcy petition preparer signs the petition] I have obtained and read the notice required by §342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

X /s/ David J Roth

Signature of Debtor David J Roth

X /s/ Esther K Roth

Signature of Joint Debtor Esther K Roth

Telephone Number (If not represented by attorney)

June 21, 2006

Date

Signature of Attorney

X /s/ Lorraine M. Greenberg ARDC No.:

Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)

Lorraine M. Greenberg ARDC No.: 03129023

Printed Name of Attorney for Debtor(s)

Lorraine Greenberg and Associates, LLC

Firm Name

20 E. Jackson Blvd. Suite 800 Chicago, IL 60604

Address

Email: Igreenberg@greenberglaw.net 312-408-0007 Fax: 312-427-8543

Telephone Number

June 21, 2006

Date

Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.

The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

Signature of Authorized Individual

Printed Name of Authorized Individual

Title of Authorized Individual

Date

Signature of a Foreign Representative

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, that I am the foreign representative of a debtor in a foreign proceeding, and that I am authorized to file this petition.

Roth, David J

- ☐ I request relief in accordance with chapter 15 of title 11. United States Code. Certified copies of the documents required by §1515 of title 11 are attached.
- ☐ Pursuant to §1511 of title 11, United States Code, I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11 specified in this petition. A certified copy of the order granting recognition of the foreign main proceeding is attached.

Signature of Foreign Representative

Printed Name of Foreign Representative

Signature of Non-Attorney Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

I declare under penalty of perjury that: (1) I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110; (2) I prepared this document for compensation and have provided the debtor with a copy of this document and the notices and information required under 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(b), 110(h), and 342(b); and, (3) if rules or guidelines have been promulgated pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h) setting a maximum fee for services chargeable by bankruptcy petition preparers, I have given the debtor notice of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a debtor or accepting any fee from the debtor, as required in that section. Official Form 19B is attached.

Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

Social Security number (If the bankrutpcy petition preparer is not an individual, state the Social Security number of the officer, principal, responsible person or partner of the bankruptcy petition preparer.)(Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.)

Date

Address

Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer or officer, principal, responsible person, or partner whose social security number is provided above.

Names and Social Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document unless the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual:

If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.

A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both 11 U.S.C. §110; 18 U.S.C. §156.

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| In re | David J Roth Esther K Roth | | Case No. | |
|----------------------|---|---|--|--|
| 10 | | Debtor(s) | Chapter | 13 |
| | DISCLOSURE OF COMPEN | SATION OF ATTO | RNEY FOR DI | EBTOR(S) |
| cc | tursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Bankruptcy Rule ompensation paid to me within one year before the filing e rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of | 2016(b), I certify that I g of the petition in bankrupto | am the attorney for cy, or agreed to be pa | the above-named debtor and that id to me, for services rendered or to |
| | For legal services, I have agreed to accept | | | 3,000.00 |
| | Prior to the filing of this statement I have received | | \$ | 1,300.00 |
| | Balance Due | | | 1,700.00 |
| 2. T | The source of the compensation paid to me was: | | | |
| | ■ Debtor □ Other (specify): | | | |
| 3. T | The source of compensation to be paid to me is: | | | |
| | ■ Debtor □ Other (specify): | | | |
| 4. ■ | I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compet | nsation with any other perso | n unless they are mem | nbers and associates of my law firm. |
| a. b. c. d. | copy of the agreement, together with a list of the name a return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to rend. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and renderi Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, stater Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditors [Other provisions as needed] preparing documents for filing bankrupto necessary, background check, possibly v review of income to determine CMI and D advising client regarding reaffirmation ag liens in personal property by agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee of | der legal service for all aspecting advice to the debtor in doment of affairs and plan white and confirmation hearing, by petition and schedule verification of assets, an MI, reviewing document preements, notifying creduces not include the following | ets of the bankruptcy of etermining whether to ch may be required; and any adjourned heast s; ordering tax trained d possibly verificates is with client, attenditors of bankruptong and service: | case, including: file a petition in bankruptcy; arings thereof; ascripts, credit reports when ation of valuations of assets, ading meeting of creditors, cy filing; motions to avoid |
| | representation in any adversary proceedi preparing for and presenting motion for re to avoid judicial lien unless contracted fo | ng unless specifically c edemption unless contr | ontracted for and a | |
| | | CERTIFICATION | | |
| | certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any ankruptcy proceeding. | agreement or arrangement fo | or payment to me for i | representation of the debtor(s) in |
| Dated: | June 21, 2006 | Lorraine M. Gree Lorraine Greent 20 E. Jackson B Suite 800 Chicago, IL 6060 | 04 ax: 312-427-8543 | : 03129023 |

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT BETWEEN **CHAPTER 13 DEBTORS AND THEIR ATTORNEYS** (Model Retention Agreement)

Chapter 13 gives debtors important rights, such as the right to keep property that could otherwise be lost through repossession or foreclosure—but Chapter 13 also puts burdens on debtors, such as the burden of making complete and truthful disclosures of their financial situation. It is important for debtors who file a Chapter 13 bankruptcy case to understand their rights and responsibilities in bankruptcy. In this connection, the advice of an attorney is often crucial. Debtors are entitled to expect certain services to be performed by their attorneys, but again, debtors have responsibilities to their attorneys also. In order to assure that debtors and their attorneys understand their rights and responsibilities in the Chapter 13 process, the judges of the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois have approved the following agreement, setting out the rights and responsibilities of both debtors in Chapter 13 and their attorneys. By signing this agreement, debtors and their attorneys accept these responsibilities.

BEFORE THE CASE IS FILED

THE DEBTOR AGREES TO:

- 1. Discuss with the attorney the debtor's objectives in filing the case.
- 2. Provide the attorney with full, accurate and timely information, financial and otherwise, including properly documented proof of income.

THE ATTORNEY AGREES TO:

- 1. Personally counsel the debtor regarding the advisability of filing either a Chapter 13 or a Chapter 7 case, discuss both procedures (as well as non-bankruptcy options) with the debtor, and answer the debtor's questions.
- 2. Personally explain to the debtor that the attorney is being engaged to represent the debtor on all matters arising in the case, as required by Local Bankruptcy rule and explain how and when the attorney's fees and the trustee's fees are determined and paid.
- 3. Personally review with the debtor and sign the completed petition, plan, statements, and schedules, as well as all amendments thereto, whether filed with the petition or later. (The schedules may be initially prepared with the help of clerical or paralegal staff of the attorney's office, but personal attention of the attorney is required for the review and signing.)

- 4. Timely prepare and file the debtor's petition, plan, statements, and schedules.
- 5. Explain to the debtor how, when, and where to make all necessary payments, including both payments that must be made directly to creditors and payments that must be made to the Chapter 13 trustee, with particular attention to housing and vehicle payments.
- 6. Advise the debtor of the need to maintain appropriate insurance.

AFTER THE CASE IS FILED

THE DEBTOR AGREES TO:

- 1. Make the required payments to the trustee and to whatever creditors are being paid directly, or, if required payments cannot be made, to notify the attorney immediately.
- 2. Appear punctually at the meeting of creditors (also called the "341 meeting") with recent proof of income and a picture identification card. (If the identification card does not include the debtor's social security number, the debtor will also bring to the meeting a social security card.) The debtor must be present in time for check-in and when the case is called for the actual examination.
- 3. Notify the attorney of any change in the debtor's address or telephone number.
- 4. Inform the attorney of any wage garnishments or liens or levies on assets that occur or continue after the filing of the case.
- 5. Contact the attorney immediately if the debtor loses employment, has a significant change in income, or experiences any other significant change in financial situation (such as serious illness, lottery winnings, or an inheritance).
- 6. Notify the attorney if the debtor is sued or wishes to file a lawsuit (including divorce).
- 7. Inform the attorney if any tax refunds to which the debtor is entitled are seized or not received when due from the IRS or Illinois Department of Revenue.
- 8. Contact the attorney before buying, refinancing, or selling real property, and before entering into any loan agreement.

THE ATTORNEY AGREES TO:

- 1. Advise the debtor of the requirement to attend the meeting of creditors, and notify the debtor of the date, time, and place of the meeting.
- 2. Inform the debtor that the debtor must be punctual and, in the case of a joint filing, that both spouses must appear at the same meeting.

- 3. Provide knowledgeable legal representation for the debtor at the meeting of creditors (in time for check-in and the actual examination) and, unless excused by the trustee, for the confirmation hearing.
- 4. If the attorney will be employing another attorney to attend the 341 meeting or any court hearing, personally explain to the debtor in advance, the role and identity of the other attorney and provide the other attorney with the file in sufficient time to review it and properly represent the debtor.
- 5. Timely submit to the Chapter 13 trustee properly documented proof of income for the debtor, including business reports for self-employed debtors.
- 6. Timely respond to objections to plan confirmation and, where necessary, prepare, file, and serve an amended plan.
- 7. Timely prepare, file, and serve any necessary amended statements and schedules and any change of address, in accordance with information provided by the debtor.
- 8. Monitor all incoming case information (including, but not limited to, Order Confirming Plan, Notice of Intent to Pay Claims, and 6-month status reports) for accuracy and completeness. Contact the trustee promptly regarding any discrepancies.
- 9. Be available to respond to the debtor's questions throughout the term of the plan.
- 10. Prepare, file, and serve timely modifications to the plan after confirmation, when necessary, including modifications to suspend, lower, or increase plan payments.
- 11. Prepare, file, and serve necessary motions to buy or sell property and to incur debt.
- 12. Object to improper or invalid claims.
- 13. Timely respond to the Chapter 13 trustee's motions to dismiss the case, such as for payment default, or unfeasibility, and to motions to increase the percentage payment to unsecured creditors.
- 14. Timely respond to motions for relief from stay.
- 15. Prepare, file, and serve all appropriate motions to avoid liens.
- 16. Provide any other legal services necessary for the administration of the case before the bankruptcy court.

ALLOWANCE AND PAYMENT OF ATTORNEYS' FEES [Check one option.]

- □ Option A: flat fee through confirmation
- 1a. Pre-confirmation services. Any attorney retained to represent a debtor in a Chapter 13 case is responsible for representing the debtor on all matters arising in the case, unless otherwise ordered by the court. For all of the services outlined above, required to be provided before confirmation of a plan, the attorney will be paid a fee of \$ __N/A __. In extraordinary circumstances, such as extended evidentiary hearings or appeals, the attorney may apply to the court for additional compensation for preconfirmation services. Any such application must be accompanied by an itemization of the services rendered, showing the date, the time expended, and the identity of the attorney performing the services. The debtor must be served with a copy of the application and notified of the right to appear in court to object.
- 1b. *Post-confirmation services*. Compensation for services required after confirmation will be in such amounts as are allowed by the court, on application accompanied by an itemization of the services rendered, showing the date, time, and the identity of the attorney performing the services. The debtor must be served with a copy of the application and notified that the debtor may appear in court to object.

- Option B: flat fee through case closing
- 1. Any attorney retained to represent a debtor in a Chapter 13 case is responsible for representing the debtor on all matters arising in the case unless otherwise ordered by the court. For all of the services outlined above, the attorney will be paid a fee of \$ 3,000.00 . In extraordinary circumstances, such as extended evidentiary hearings or appeals, the attorney may apply to the court for additional compensation for these services. Any such application must be accompanied by an itemization of the services rendered, showing the date, the time expended, and the identity of the attorney performing the services. The debtor must be served with a copy of the application and notified of the right to appear in court to object.

- 2. Early termination of the case. Fees payable under the provisions set out above are not refundable in the event that the case is dismissed before confirmation (Option A) or completion of plan payments (Option B), unless the dismissal is due to a failure by the attorney to comply with the duties set out in this agreement. If a dismissal is due to such a failure by the attorney, the court may order a refund of fees on motion by the debtor.
- 3. *Retainers*. The attorney may receive a retainer or other payment before filing the case, but may not receive fees directly from the debtor after the filing of the case. In any application for fees, whether or not requiring an itemization, the attorney shall disclose to the court any fees paid by the debtor prior to the case filing.

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- 4. *Improper conduct by the attorney*. If the debtor disputes the sufficiency or quality of the legal services provided or the amount of the fees charged by the attorney, the debtor may file an objection with the court and request a hearing.
- 5. *Improper conduct by the debtor*. If the attorney believes that the debtor is not complying with the debtor's responsibilities under this agreement or is otherwise not engaging in proper conduct, the attorney may apply for a court order allowing the attorney to withdraw from the case.
- 6. Discharge of the attorney. The debtor may discharge the attorney at any time.

| Date: | |
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| June 21, 2006 | |
| | |
| Total fee to be paid for attorney's services: \$ _ 3,000.00 (Do not sign if this line is blank.) | |
| Signed: | |
| /s/ David J Roth | /s/ Lorraine M. Greenberg ARDC No.: |
| David J Roth | Lorraine M. Greenberg ARDC No.: 03129023 |
| | Attorney for Debtor(s) |
| /s/ Esther K Roth | Audility for Debior(s) |
| | |
| Esther K Roth | |
| Debtor(s) | |

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

NOTICE TO INDIVIDUAL CONSUMER DEBTOR UNDER § 342(b) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

In accordance with § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, this notice: (1) Describes briefly the services available from credit counseling services; (2) Describes briefly the purposes, benefits and costs of the four types of bankruptcy proceedings you may commence; and (3) Informs you about bankruptcy crimes and notifies you that the Attorney General may examine all information you supply in connection with a bankruptcy case. You are cautioned that bankruptcy law is complicated and not easily described. Thus, you may wish to seek the advice of an attorney to learn of your rights and responsibilities should you decide to file a petition. Court employees cannot give you legal advice.

1. Services Available from Credit Counseling Agencies

With limited exceptions, § 109(h) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that all individual debtors who file for bankruptcy relief on or after October 17, 2005, receive a briefing that outlines the available opportunities for credit counseling and provides assistance in performing a budget analysis. The briefing must be given within 180 days <u>before</u> the bankruptcy filing. The briefing may be provided individually or in a group (including briefings conducted by telephone or on the Internet) and must be provided by a nonprofit budget and credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator. The clerk of the bankruptcy court has a list that you may consult of the approved budget and credit counseling agencies.

In addition, after filing a bankruptcy case, an individual debtor generally must complete a financial management instructional course before he or she can receive a discharge. The clerk also has a list of approved financial management instructional courses.

2. The Four Chapters of the Bankruptcy Code Available to Individual Consumer Debtors

Chapter 7: Liquidation (\$245 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee, \$15 trustee surcharge: Total Fee \$299)

- 1. Chapter 7 is designed for debtors in financial difficulty who do not have the ability to pay their existing debts. Debtors whose debts are primarily consumer debts are subject to a "means test" designed to determine whether the case should be permitted to proceed under chapter 7. If your income is greater than the median income for your state of residence and family size, in some cases, creditors have the right to file a motion requesting that the court dismiss your case under § 707(b) of the Code. It is up to the court to decide whether the case should be dismissed.
- 2. Under chapter 7, you may claim certain of your property as exempt under governing law. A trustee may have the right to take possession of and sell the remaining property that is not exempt and use the sale proceeds to pay your creditors.
- 3. The purpose of filing a chapter 7 case is to obtain a discharge of your existing debts. If, however, you are found to have committed certain kinds of improper conduct described in the Bankruptcy Code, the court may deny your discharge and, if it does, the purpose for which you filed the bankruptcy petition will be defeated.
- 4. Even if you receive a general discharge, some particular debts are not discharged under the law. Therefore, you may still be responsible for most taxes and student loans; debts incurred to pay nondischargeable taxes; domestic support and property settlement obligations; most fines, penalties, forfeitures, and criminal restitution obligations; certain debts which are not properly listed in your bankruptcy papers; and debts for death or personal injury caused by operating a motor vehicle, vessel, or aircraft while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs. Also, if a creditor can prove that a debt arose from fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, or theft, or from a willful and malicious injury, the bankruptcy court may determine that the debt is not discharged.

<u>Chapter 13</u>: Repayment of All or Part of the Debts of an Individual with Regular Income (\$235 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$274)

- 1. Chapter 13 is designed for individuals with regular income who would like to pay all or part of their debts in installments over a period of time. You are only eligible for chapter 13 if your debts do not exceed certain dollar amounts set forth in the Bankruptcy Code.
- 2. Under chapter 13, you must file with the court a plan to repay your creditors all or part of the money that you owe them, using your future earnings. The period allowed by the court to repay your debts may be three years or five years, depending upon your income and other factors. The court must approve your plan before it can take effect.
- 3. After completing the payments under your plan, your debts are generally discharged except for domestic support obligations; most student loans; certain taxes; most criminal fines and restitution obligations; certain debts which are not properly listed in your bankruptcy papers; certain debts for acts that caused death or personal injury; and certain long term secured obligations.

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Chapter 11: Reorganization (\$1000 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$1039)

Chapter 11 is designed for the reorganization of a business but is also available to consumer debtors. Its provisions are quite complicated, and any decision by an individual to file a chapter 11 petition should be reviewed with an attorney.

Chapter 12: Family Farmer or Fisherman (\$200 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$239)

Chapter 12 is designed to permit family farmers and fishermen to repay their debts over a period of time from future earnings and is similar to chapter 13. The eligibility requirements are restrictive, limiting its use to those whose income arises primarily from a family-owned farm or commercial fishing operation.

3. Bankruptcy Crimes and Availability of Bankruptcy Papers to Law Enforcement Officials

A person who knowingly and fraudulently conceals assets or makes a false oath or statement under penalty of perjury, either orally or in writing, in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to a fine, imprisonment, or both. All information supplied by a debtor in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to examination by the Attorney General acting through the Office of the United States Trustee, the Office of the United States Attorney, and other components and employees of the Department of Justice.

WARNING: Section 521(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that you promptly file detailed information regarding your creditors, assets, liabilities, income, expenses and general financial condition. Your bankruptcy case may be dismissed if this information is not filed with the court within the time deadlines set by the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the local rules of the court.

Certificate of Attorney

I hereby certify that I delivered to the debtor this notice required by § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

| | /s/ Lorraine M. Greenberg ARDC | |
|--|---|---------------|
| Lorraine M. Greenberg ARDC No.: 03129023 | X No.: | June 21, 2006 |
| Printed Name of Attorney | Signature of Attorney | Date |
| Address: | | |
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| Certif I (We), the debtor(s), affirm that I (we) have received | icate of Debtor d and read this notice. | |
| David J Roth | | |
| Esther K Roth | X /s/ David J Roth | June 21, 2006 |
| Printed Name of Debtor | Signature of Debtor | Date |
| Case No. (if known) | X /s/ Esther K Roth | June 21, 2006 |
| | Signature of Joint Debtor (if any) | Date |

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| | | Number of | Creditors: | 18 |
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| Date: | June 21, 2006 | /s/ David J Roth | | |
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